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Utility Type: all

Company Name: Dominion Power/Verizon /AT@T ---ALL

Comments: All utilities regardless of company and location should be underground - the pole taken countless lives not to mention the destruction caused as a result of Hurricane Isabell - how much money could thee taxpayer saved had we not had to pick up the tab for repair after Hurricane Isabell - all these visitor linemen would not have been necessary - our town will soon require that all utilities be placed underground, not only for the safety aspect but the esthetic aspect as well - please do not give me the song and dance of the repair issue, this is non existant if underground no lightening strikes, no aoutmobile destroying poles and service + the deaths of the motorist as a result and no hurricane damage and taxpayer nightmare - right of ways are already aquired just use them - Save the Commonwealth taxpayer untold countless dollars and the elderly must dispair because of being without power whether it be for the refrigerator or the fan and the air conditioner off and us

eless - - - PLACE ALL UTILITY LINES UNDERGROUND - suck up the initial cost and save countless dollars in the long run + you will save money on personnel for line maintenance / pole maintenance, health and life insurance for these not needed employees, truck purchases, etc. Fewer supervisors, vehicles, upkeep / maintenance on the vehicles, indirect cost of insurance savings, etc - - UNDERGROUND UTILITIY LINES ARE AND ABSOLUTE - - EVREYBODY WINS!DO IT!